GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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INDO-GERMAN EXPERTS MEET
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Indian and German experts had heldthree- day meeting in New Delhi in March 2001 to discuss ways and means to correct respective global images of their countries; and

(b) If so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU)

a) Yes, the Indo-German Experts` Meeting on reviewing `India`s image in Germany & Germany`s image in India in High School Education` was held on March 12-14, 2001 in New Delhi as part of the German Festival in India 2000-2001.

b) Experts discussed ways to evolve strategies to enrich information available on their respective countries so as to promote better mutual understanding of each other`s cultures and values. The meeting also recommended the establishment of a joint group to implement the changes in the mutual perception of each other in high school Textbooks.